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Please add my comments, as prescribed by the Tunney Act, to the consideration of Proposed Final Judgment in the matter of Microsoft's antitrust settlement.

I do not believe that the PFJ goes one-tenth as far as it needs to in order to bring a semblance of competitive behaviors to the computing marketplace. Without considerably more stringent measures to punish and deter Microsoft from its entrenched tactics, consumers will suffer the effects of a stunted operating system monoculture for the indefinite future. The implications of this monoculture are already staggering, measured by the millions in lost productivity in the past year from the spread of malicious code -- exploits of the poor design and ubiquity of Microsoft platforms and applications.

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